

Amending law for police reforms

†1556. SHRIMATI MAYA SINGH:
SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government are proposing to amend the law, in order to keep the police system free from political and bureaucratic pressures;

(b) if so, the details in this regard; and

(c) the progress made regarding the action taken/likely to be taken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (c) The Committee of experts led by Shri Soli Sorabjee has submitted to Government a draft Model Police Act. The Union Government is considering introduction of a Bill to cover Police administration in the Union Territories to replace the earlier enactments. Since Police is a State subject, individual State Governments are at the liberty to adopt the central legislation, as it is, or to modify and adopt it, or to pass any other kind of law, as per the provisions of the Constitution and also keeping in view, the judgement of the Supreme Court passed on 22.9.2006 in Civil Writ Petition No. 310 of 1996 in the matter of Prakash Singh & others Vs. Union of India & Others.

Bomb blasts in Assam

1557. SHRI URKHAO GWARA BRAHMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the initiative taken by Government to normalize the ongoing tense situation in Assam, where a number of innocent people lost their life in bomb blasts, and firing by security personnel during the operation;

(b) the details of Government's measures and instructions to the security personnel in Assam, to restrain from violating human rights, by killing the children and the women; and

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